(f) if so, the details of the action taken by our missions and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) to (f) The Reserve Bank of India, which is the competent authority for approval and monitoring of direct investments abroad, has reported that so far, no communication has been received on the problems and impediments faced due to non-economic considerations by Indian businesses in acquiring companies abroad, particularly in Europe.

Import-Export target

- 1511. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government have set a target for foreign trade for the year at more than US\$ 450 billion;
 - (b) if so, whether this figure would include export and import of services;
- (c) what is the expected quantum of traditional exports of this figure; and
- (d) the details of break-up of traditional exports like Tea, Coffee, Jute etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRIJAIRAM RAMESH): (a) The merchandise export target set for the current financial year (2006-07) is US\$ 125 billion. No target is set for merchandise imports. Going by the current trend in trade growth, total merchandise trade is likely to cross US\$ 300 billion in the current year compared with US\$ 252 billion last year.

- (b) The figures of merchandise trade do not include trade in services.
- (c) and (d) There is no official definition of traditional exports and hence figures of traditional exports are not available separately. However, the latest available figures for the current year (April-August 2006) giving breakup of exports by Principal Commodities (including Tea and Coffee) is enclosed as Statement.

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Statement
Values in US\$ Millions
(P) Provisional

Commodity	AprAug. 2005	AprAug. 2006(P)	%Growth	%Share
1	2	3	4	5
(A) Plantation	308.37	374.89	21.57	0.74
(01) Tea	153.53	181.48	18.2	0.36
(02) Coffee	154.83	193.41	24.92	0.38
(B) Agri. & Allied Prdts	2,737.08	3,319.95	21.3	6.57
(01) Cereal	742.22	582.26	-21.55	1.15
(*) Rice	591.21	532.34	-9.96	1.05
(b) Wheat	106.48	5.45	-94.88	0.01
(c) Others	44.53	44.47	-0.14	0.09
(02) Pulses	120.51	96.51	-19.91	0.19
(03) Tobacco	118.01	156. 66	32.75	0.31
(a) Unmanufactured	96.3	122.9	27.62	0.24
(b) Manufactured	21.71	33.76	55.48	0.07
(04) Spices	189.68	249.39	31.48	0.49
(05) Nuts & Seeds	366.91	386.49	5.34	0.76
(a) Cashew incl CSNL	275.83	237.93	-13.74	0.47
(b) Sesame & Niger seed	58.52	71.52	22.21	0.14
(c) Ground nut	32.56	77.03	136.62	0.15
(06) Oil Meals	- 262.95	297.05	12.96	0.59
(07) Guergum Meal	85.26	103.3	21.16	0.2
(08) Castor Oil	119.86	99.5	-16.98	0.2
(09) Shellac	15.82	10.77	-31.92	0.02
(10) Sugar & Mollasses	12.37	483.15	3,805.15	0.96
(11) Processed Foods	363.7	479.84	31.93	0.95
(a) Fresh Fruits & Vegetables	180.92	240.02	32.67	0.48
(b) Fruits/Vegetable seeds.	7.73	9.45	22.31	0.02
(c) Processed & misc processed items	175.06	230.37	31.6	0.46
(12) Meat & Preparations	215.58	259.49	20.37	0.51
(13) Poultry & Dairy Products	83.75	61.07	-27.08	0.12
(14) Flouriculture Products	24.12	29	20.23	0.08
(15) Spirit & Beverages	16.34	25.46	55.83	0.05

1	2	3	4	5
(C) Marine Products	586.88	588.02	0.19	1.16
(D) Ores & Minerals	2,290.91	2,458.84	7.33	4.87
(01) Iron ore	1,419.25	1,284.16	-9.52	2.54
(02) Mica	7.55	6.99	-7.35	0.01
(03) Processed Minerals	420.02	573.68	36.58	1.14
(04) Other ores & minerals	428.86	578.37	34.86	1.14
(05) Coal	15.23	15.65	2.71	0.03
(E) Leather & MNFRs	1,135.33	1,182.05	4.12	2.34
(01) Footwear	446.31	484.69	8.6	0.96
(02) Leather & mfrs	689.01	697.36	1.21	1.38
(F) Gems & Jewellery	6,341.13	6,146.84	-3.06	12.17
(G) Sports Goods	53.15	60.39	13.63	0.12
(H) Chemicals & related products	5,966.61	7,235.84	21.27	14.32
(01) Basic chemls, Pharma & cosmetics	3,384.41	4,265.19	26.02	8.44
(02) Plastics & Linoleum	1,194.97	1,240.98	3.85	2.46
(03) Rubber, glass & other produc	ts1,124.81	1,391.74	23.73	2.75
(04) Residual chemis & allied products	262.43	337.92	28.77	0.67
(I) Engineering Goods	7,576.06	10,511.70	38.75	20.8
(01) Machinery	3,852.76	5,020.57	30.31	9.94
(a) Machine tools	86.52	94.33	9.02	0.19
(b) Machinery & instruments	1,903.98	2,763.61	45.15	5.47
(c) Transport equipments	1,862.26	2,162.64	16.13	4.28
(02) Iron & Steel	1,450.79	1,956.54	34.86	3.87
(a) Iron & Steel bar rod etc.	236.54	275.71	16.56	0.55
(b) Primary & semi-finished iron & steel	3 1,214.25	1,680.83	38.42	3.33
(03) Other Engineering Items	2,272.51	3,534.59	55.54	7
(a) Ferro Alloys	97.1	125.61	29.36	0.25
(b) Aluminium other than product	s 64.15	103.13	60.76	0.2
(c) Non ferrous metals	422.64	1,265.10	199.34	2.5
(d) Manufacture of metals	1,660.52	2,008.48	20.96	3.98
(e) Residual Engineering items	28.1	32.27	14.83	0.06
(J) Electronic Goods	807.8	1,157.29	43.26	2.29
(01) Electronics	768.98	1,141.14	48.4	2.26

1	2	3	4	5
(02) Computer Software in physical form	38.81	16.15	-58.39	0.03
(K) Project Goods	51.32	38.23	-25.51	0.08
(L) Textiles	6,049.68	6,799.89	12.4	13.46
(01) Readymade garments	3,341.86	3742.67	11.99	7.41
(02) Cotton, yarn, fabrics, made-ups etc.	1,529.77	1,746.31	14.16	3.46
(03) Manmade textiles &	777.2	907.83	16.81	1.8
((%) Natural Silk text	182.89	178.98	-2.14	0.35
(05) Wool 2 woolen mfrs	36.19	35.86	-0.91	0.07
(i.d) Coir & coir mfrs	53.99	59.44	10.09	0.12
(07) Jute mfrs	127.79	128.79	0.79	0.25
(M) Handicrafts	210.08	130.57	-37.84	0.26
(N) Carpets	314.03	370.88	18.1	0.73
(01) Hand-made excl silk (02) Mill-made excl silk	307.29	364.45	18.6	0.72
(03) Silk carpets	6.74	6.43	-4.57	0.01
(O) Cotton Raw incl waste	120.76	324.78	168.95	0.64
(P) Petroleum products	3,844.07	8,350.10	117.22	16.53
(Q) Unclassified exports	1,186.16	1,476.67	24.49	2.92
Total:	9,579.42	50,526.94	27.66	100
Exchange Rate: (1US\$ = Rs.)	43.5949	45.8811		
Data Source: DGCIS, Kolkata	DOC-NIC			

SEZs in Punjab

- 1512. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of COMMERCEAND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
 - (a) the number of Special Economic Zones being established in Punjab;
 - (b) the quantum of land being acquired against each SEZ;
 - (c) whether the land so demarcated, yields multi crops; and
 - (d) the compensation rate of land so acquired?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) Formal approval has been granted for establishment of 4 Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in Punjab.